

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re DIVISIONAL Application of                    )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI                                    )  
Based on Serial No. 10/124,344                    )  
Filed: April 18, 2002                                )  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)  
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE                        )

Art Unit: 2826

Examiner: A. Sefer

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the specification as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.